

Spotlight

on Student Assessment and Accountability

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ISD Guidance for Providing Feedback to LEAs on 1% Cap Justification Forms


A new webinar resource has been released. *ISD Review of Justification Forms Webinar* is now available on the [Catamaran Training Website](#). This resource is designed to give ISDs guidance on providing feedback to LEAs regarding the 1% Cap Justification Forms filed in Catamaran this past winter. The webinar recording and downloadable presentation materials are available to help ISDs with this task and can be found on the Catamaran Training Website in the following locations:

- [Past Events](#)
- [Policy Guidance Documents](#)

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For questions concerning ISD Review of Justification Forms, contact any of the MDE 1% Cap team members:

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Key:  Reminder (previously run article)

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Accessing Formative Assessment in Online Learning Environments Webinars

Recordings and resources from the first two webinars are now available on the [Michigan Assessment Consortium website](http://www.michiganassessmentconsortium.org) (www.michiganassessmentconsortium.org).

- **April 23, 2020** – [Using the formative assessment process to enhance student learning in an online environment: Getting started](#)
- **May 6, 2020** – [Formative Feedback: Navigating the complexity of engaging student thinking](#)

You will find the recording, handouts, and supplemental resources on each event page. The webinars have been highlighting the work of and examples from Lindsey Howe and Jay Scheuer, Michigan Great Lakes Virtual Academy (MGLVA) and FAME coaches. Jay and Lindsey share experiences, strategies, and technology tools that support their instruction, curriculum, and assessment decisions.

Session #3: Registration Now Open

Creating and Implementing Online Learning Lessons with Student Engagement in Mind

- Tuesday, June 16, 2020
1:00–2:30 p.m. ET

This webinar is the third in a series intended to provide support for teachers in delivering instruction online. It will provide a window into the planning, implementing and reflecting associated with curriculum, instruction, and assessment delivered in an online setting. Teachers from Michigan Great Lakes Virtual Academy (MGLVA) will share video examples of lesson planning and classroom instruction, and offer insights into the decisions they make in developing their learning plans.

Educators who register for this event will be asked to view posted video clips prior to the Tuesday, June 16 webinar.

Note: It is important for participants to commit to previewing the clips. We will be using the breakout feature of Zoom to encourage dialogue and small group interaction.

Outcomes:

- Increased awareness of online strategies that engage students
- Understanding about what makes effective learning plans
- Appreciating for the role that planning plays in the delivery of online lessons

[Register for Session 3](#)

College Board Corner

Information on SAT®, PSAT™ 8/9, and PSAT™ 10 provided by the College Board

Resources for Fall 2020 Testing

College Board and the Michigan Department of Education are preparing a number of informational resources to assist you in planning for Fall 2020 testing. The resources are posted to both the [MME web page](http://www.michigan.gov/mme) (www.michigan.gov/mme) and the [PSAT web page](http://www.michigan.gov/psat) (www.michigan.gov/psat).

Resources available now

- [Fall 2020 School Day Testing for MDE-Provided SAT with Essay, PSAT/ NMSQT, and PSAT 8/9](#): provides information about the assessments that are to be administered to students in grades 9-12 in the fall of this year
 - » A table with dates for each assessment is included, along with information on accommodations, systems that will be used to support this testing, parental consent for the Student Search Service, and additional information to help in the planning for Fall 2020 testing.
 - » This is a living document and will be updated as additional information is known.

- [Fall 2020 List of Important Dates](#): list of important dates and deadlines for fall testing

Resources available next week

- [Comparison of Fall 2020 and Spring 2021](#): highlights and explain the differences between the Michigan-provided Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 administrations
- [Frequently Asked Questions, Fall Testing](#): provides answers to questions coordinators and administrators may have about the upcoming Fall 2020 administration

Upcoming Webinar

College Board will be hosting a webinar to review the policies and procedures for Fall 2020 testing. The webinar will include a review of important dates, as well as helpful information about how to use the College Board test ordering site and accommodations for fall testing. For the benefit of those who cannot attend the live webinar, it will be recorded and posted to the appropriate Michigan websites approximately a week after the live event. The date and time of the webinar, along with the registration link, will be provided in next week's Spotlight.

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